

Amendment No. 1 to SB2482

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2482***House Bill No. 2691**

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 38, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

§40-38-118.

(a) The district attorneys general conference shall establish and administer an automated victim notification system. Such automated victim notification system shall:

(1) Permit a crime victim to register or update the victim's registration for the automated victim notification system by using a toll free telephone number;

(2) Permit a registered crime victim to receive the most recent status report for an offender by calling the automated victim notification system by using a toll free telephone number; and

(3) Automatically notify a registered crime victim when a committed offender:

(A) Is transferred or assigned to another facility;

(B) Is given a different security classification;

(C) Is released on temporary leave or otherwise;

(D) Is discharged; or

(E) Has escaped.

(b) The district attorneys general conference shall update the offender information contained within the automated victim notification system frequently to ensure that each registered crime victim is timely notified that an offender has been released, has been discharged, or has escaped. However, the failure of the automated

victim notification system to provide such notice to a registered crime victim does not establish a separate cause of action by the victim against the state or against the department.

(c) All law enforcement officers shall cooperate with the district attorneys general conference in establishing and maintaining the automated victim notification system.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of establishing and administering the automated victim notification system, the district attorneys general conference shall seek federal funds from the United States department of justice which are available for states to create such automated victim notification systems.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on the date the state receives funding from federal grants or other, non-state funds sufficient to establish and administer such automated victim notification system, the public welfare requiring it. The executive director of the district attorneys general conference shall certify to the executive secretary of the Tennessee code commission when such funds are received.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of seeking funding from federal or other, non-state sources, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 3, the public welfare requiring it.